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AMENDMENT TO THE DESCRIPTION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 8 at line 6 of the specification as originally filed with the following rewritten paragraph:

While the fever indicator 60 may be located at any point in the article likely to be contacted by urine, the fever indicator 60 is preferably located in the portion of the article coordinated with the urine loading point (i.e., the location in which the urine typically insults the article, such as in the vicinity of the longitudinal centerline of the article in the crotch region of the article). Generally, the urine temperature is easily measured at or near the topsheet of the article (e.g., on the wearer facing side or underside of the topsheet) in the vast majority of urine loading occurrences. In the most highly preferred embodiments of the present invention, the fever indicator 60 is affixed to the topsheet or any other component of the article located above the absorbent core, including the wearer facing surface of the absorbent core. In many occurrences where the fever indicator is located at or near the inner surface of the backsheet, or on any carrier disposed on the underside of an absorbent core, the fever indicator may be limited to detecting an elevated urine temperature for only the initial urine loading event since relatively large quantities of existing fluid held in the absorbent core may act as a heat sink and prematurely cool subsequent urine voidings below the predefined temperature threshold. Additionally, a fever indicator 60 located between the absorbent core and the backsheet of an article may require higher urine temperatures, greater urination event volumes, and/or slower urine loading rates (i.e., to ensure maximum absorption in the immediate vicinity of the urination point) to reliably detect the presence of an elevated core body temperature.